

stitution. Read 1st and 2nd times and referred to the committee on Internal Improvements.

On motion of Mr. Hyde, the Senate adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow.

FRIDAY, November 18th, 1859.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment. Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Baker—roll called—quorum present.

The journal of yesterday was read and adopted.

Mr. Dickinson presented the petition of Lindsey Man for land, which was referred to the committee on Private Land Claims.

Mr. Potter chairman of the committee on the Judiciary, made the following reports :

The Judiciary committee have considered a bill to incorporate the Pecos Bridge Company, and direct me to return the same to the Senate with amendment, and recommend the adoption of the amendment and the passage of the bill.

Amendment—strike out seventh section.

The committee on the Judiciary, have considered a bill to empower the Mayor, Aldermen and inhabitants of the City of Galveston, to issue bonds for the construction of a Bridge, &c., and direct me to return the same to the Senate and recommend its passage.

The committee on the Judiciary have considered a bill to incorporate the Factors Cotton Press Company, and direct me to return the same to the Senate and recommend its passage.

The Judiciary committee have considered a Bill, to incorporate the Horse Head Crossing of the Pecos Bridge Company, and direct me to return the same to the Senate with amendment, and recommend the adoption of the amendment and the passage of the Bill.

Amendment—strike out the seventh section.

Mr. Quinan from the committee on the Judiciary, made the following reports :

The committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred a bill for the relief of Albert G. Walker and his securities, have had the same under consideration, and instruct me to report a substitute therefor, and recommend its passage.

Mr. Fall chairman of the committee on Engrossed Bills, reported a bill appropriating ten thousand dollars or so much thereof as may be necessary to enable the Governor to offer rewards for fugitives from justice. Correctly engrossed.

Mr. Harman introduced a bill requiring the Comptroller, acting Commissioner of Claims, to issue Duplicates, and approve the same of the unconditional Headright Certificates of Evans Bracken and Thomas Heath. Read 1st and 2nd times and referred to the committee on Private Land Claims.

Mr. Throckmorton introduced a bill for the relief of James Herndon. Read 1st and 2nd times and referred to the committee on Claims and Accounts.

Mr. Throckmorton, introduced bill for the pay and subsistence of the troops called out by the Governor of the State, under the command of John S. Ford, James Bourland and John Henry Brown. Read 1st and 2nd times and referred to the committee on Finance.

Mr. Paschal introduced a bill to incorporate the American Agency. Read 1st and 2nd times and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Guinn introduced a bill to authorize and require the clerk of the District court of Cherokee county, to apportion the causes on the docket of said court. Read 1st and 2nd times and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Potter introduced a bill to incorporate the Galveston Firemen's Relief Fund Association. Read 1st and 2nd times and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Walker introduced a bill for the relief of Benjamin Bacus. Read 1st and 2nd times and referred to the committee on Private Land Claims.

Mr. Paschal introduced a bill to incorporate the American Improvement Company. Read 1st and 2nd times and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Townes introduced a bill to incorporate the Air-line Railroad Company. Read 1st and 2nd times and referred to the committee on Internal Improvements.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

Resolution of the House appointing a select committee, and asking a like appointment of the Senate to inquire into the expediency of calling a convention to frame a new Constitution, was concurred in.

The resolution from the House of Representatives, to elect a U. S. Senator was on motion of Mr. Potter laid on the table.

Resolution of the House appointing a select committee and asking a like appointment of the Senate to investigate the Probate Laws, was on motion of Mr. Quinan referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary on a bill to au-

thorize Joseph B. Edmondson, to purchase a farm for Alpha W. Edmondson, a minor, recommending its rejection, was read and adopted.

The committee on Claims and Accounts, on the petition of the heirs of Wm. H. Poff and others asking relief, recommending its rejection, also the minority report on the same subject presenting a bill for the relief of the heirs of Wm. H. Poff, late Sheriff of Hopkins county having been read; Mr. Throckmorton moved to lay the majority report on the table, which was lost. The question then being on its adoption was put and carried.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, on a bill to authorize the Governor to issue his proclamation, and offer a reward for the arrest of certain persons depredating in the counties of Cameron and Hidalgo, recommending its rejection, was read and adopted.

Joint resolution authorizing the Governor to call out one thousand men to suppress rebellion and resist invasion of the State. Read 2nd time and on motion of Mr. Guinn laid on the table.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary on the petition of Casper Ernest Voght, recommending its rejection, was read and adopted.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary on a bill to amend the 2nd section of an act to regulate common schools, approved February 5th, 1858, recommending its reference to the committee on Education, was read and adopted.

A bill validating certain surveys in Fisher's Miller's and Peter's colonies. Read 2nd time and ordered to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Guinn, the rule was suspended, bill read 3rd time and passed.

The report of the committee on Public Lands on a bill for the relief of pre-emption settlers and their assignees, under the act of 13th February, 1854, donating 160 acres of land to actual settlers, reporting a substitute for the same was read and adopted.

Mr. Rainey moved that the bill be postponed until Wednesday next. Lost. The bill was read a 2nd time and ordered to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Walker, the rule was suspended, bill read 3rd time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Hyde, the Senate adjourned until 10 o'clock A. M., to-morrow.

SATURDAY, November 19th, 1859.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment. Prayer by the Rev. W. M. Baker—roll called—quorum present.